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TWO SYNONYMS

GOOD FOOD

and

Givens' Restaurant

North Side Square

COUNTY DECLAMATORY CONTEST ON JAN. 16.

The wide awake and resourceful teachers of Educational Divisions Nos. 2, 3, and 4 have planned and are going to hold a county declamatory contest. This contest will take place in the auditorium of Marion Graded School building at 7:30 o'clock, Friday evening, Jan. 16th. Both the pupils who will take part and their teachers deserve unstinted credit and

praise for their energy and enterprise. We hope this contest will be such a success that it will become a regular annual event of the county schools in the future. Marion Graded School will always be glad to entertain this contest, furnish medals, provide music and assist in every other way possible. Let all help these loyal Crittenden county school boosters to have a great contest. To defray expenses there will be a small admission charge of 15 cents. Following is the program.

Music Marion High School Orchestra

FIRST CONTEST

Division 2	JEWEL GRAVES
Subject	"Anybody Want This Little Boy?"
Division 3	CARL PHILLIPS
Subject	"The Bear Story"
Division 4	DORA ROBERTS
Subject	"Plain Bob"

Music Marion High School Orchestra

SECOND CONTEST

Division 2	MARIE MOORE
Subject	"The Christmas Present and What Came of It"
Division 3	MELBA DUVALL
Subject	"Naughty Zell"
Division 4	NELLIE WALKER
Subject	"Good Night Papa"

Music Marion High School Orchestra

Decision of Judges

CARD OF THANKS.

We through the columns of the Press wish to extend our thanks to our neighbors and friends for their kindness rendered us during the illness of our aged mother who passed away Dec. 27, 1919. May God's richest blessings rest upon each and every one of you. Her sons and daughter, T. M. Hill, H. O. Hill, H. S. Hill, Mrs. Alice Allen.

PARSONAGE ACCIDENT.

The scaffold on which J. C. Elder, J. A. Elder and W. E. Fritts were at work on the Methodist parsonage some days ago gave way and they all fell in a heap, breaking a rib for J. C. Elder and bruising up the other two considerably. The wounds were dressed by a physician and the men have now resumed their work.

THANKS!

To all who have placed their insurance business, fire or life-with me, during the past year, I want to extend my sincere thanks.

My business has more than doubled during the past year, and I heartily appreciate the part that each of you have contributed toward this splendid growth; and, I assure you, that I will; at all times, look after your interest to the very best of my ability.

C. G. THOMPSON

The Growing Agency.

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THANKS!

A NEW YEAR'S TRICK.

The congregation of the First Cumberland Presbyterian church of this city played a New Year's trick on their pastor, Rev. T. C. Newman on New Years eve.

That being the regular prayer meeting night the pastor had urged everyone to come to prayer meeting on the last night of the year 1919 and close out the old year with a good attendance at prayer meeting.

So that evening the pastor and his family went to church expecting to find a large congregation to greet them on this night, and on reaching the church they found no fire had been made or lights turned on and after waiting until after the hour for prayer meeting to begin and no one came they started home much disappointed.

On nearing home they discovered a bright light shining out through the transom. The window shades all being down and the door blinded, of course the first thought was burglars. But on going in they were surprised to find a congregation of about 25 of the members seated in front of a roaring fire in the grate.

The leading elder, C. V. Oakley explained that they had just decided to change the prayer meeting from the church to the pastor's home for this one evening. Let all help these loyal Crittenden county school boosters to have a great contest. To defray expenses there will be a small admission charge of 15 cents. Following is the program.

The leader then read a scripture lesson and made a talk on getting a vision for next year and after several good talks and prayers, and some time spent in social conversation, the guests took their departure and left the pastor and his family to explore and find out the damage that had been done. On going to the dining room they found that everything had been removed from the table, and it had been piled up with sweet potatoes, flour, coffee, sausage and canned goods as well as several pieces of glassware and an envelope with some filthy letters in it. But the pastor and his wife, being of kind heart, refuse to take any offense, obeying that Divine injunction, "That in whatever lot they find themselves to be content." Come again brethren.

T. C. NEWMAN.

WHEATCROFT SPAR MINE.

This mine is located near Frances in this county and is doing a splendid business. Messrs. Milliken and Fuller are the alert managers. They run an average of eight tons of ore per day and have a large quantity on top of the ground ready for shipment. They are hauling and shipping daily and find a ready market.

THE K. K. MINE.

Operated by the White Flour Spar Co., is located seven miles west of Marion. They have a contract to ship one car per month up to July. While they are putting out only a small amount of spar now they are preparing for a big output when weather conditions become favorable.

BIG LAND DEAL.

J. O. Gray has sold to Dr. O. C. Cook 600 acres of fine land. It is located in the Eddy section about five miles from Salem. This is the biggest deal in this section for many years past. W. E. Belt handled the deal.

21 CENT SUGAR BRINGS GROCERS TO GRIEF.

Four Cleveland, Ohio grocers were arrested last Friday on Federal warrants charging profiteering in sugar and were held for the federal grand jury. The technical charge against them is violation of the food control act. The grocers were accused of charging from 18 to 21 cents a pound for beet sugar and the government has fixed 14 1/2 cents a pound as the fair price for this variety.

MARION GIRLS HONORED.

The Strollers, the dramatic organization of the University of Kentucky, gave a tea in honor of the new members recently in the Stroller studio.

Of the 75 candidates who tried out only 37 were admitted. Among the new members were Katherine Reed and Lucile Moore of Marion. They were two of the fifteen taking part in the program in the University chapel on "Amateur Night."

To become a member of the Strollers is a much coveted honor and Misses Reed and Moore won places through their excellent work in the preliminary contest which is held each year to determine who among the new students have dramatic talent.

Miss Moore portrayed a typical negro "Shouting Preacher" in a sermon "The Return of the Prodigal Son" with talent and exactness and kept her audience in uproars of laughter.

Miss Reed was equally good in her reading entitled "Gazelle and Swan."

LOOSE LEAF FLOOR OPEN AT PROVIDENCE.

With the close of the holiday season deliveries of tobacco reopened on the Providence Loose Leaf Floor and quite a lot of the weed was brought in on New Year's day. Much of this went from Crittenden county, the waters having receded so that the farmers could get their wagons over the river without having to ferry.

More than 100,000 pounds was sold over the floor Friday of last week at a general average which exceeded \$20 per hundred and there were no choice baskets in the offering. On the whole it was a satisfactory sale, but there were some rejections.

New buyers on the floor were C. F. Beeson and Jas. F. Montgomery, representing the Kentucky and Virginia Company, and they were strong contenders for the lower grades. They took about 40,000 pounds of the offerings and J. G. Gist bid in about 50,000 pounds for the Imperial.

JIM LAWSON DEAD

Jim Lawson, most everybody knew him as "Shorty," died suddenly Sunday afternoon from an attack of acute indigestion. His death occurred at the home of his brother, George. His remains were taken to Hawesville, his former home for interment.

Mr. Lawson was a his 59th year and had lived in Marion for a number of years. He was engaged in the lumber business and had a wide circle of friends throughout the county. His wife preceded him to the grave only a few months. He leaves a brother, two nieces and one nephew.

PRESBYTERIANS PROSPER.

The Main Street Presbyterian church made its annual report last Sunday. The treasurer reported that all expenses including local expenses, the pastor and such things had been paid and money left in the treasury; that \$110 had been sent to the Boards, and more soon to be collected. \$60.00 was formerly the apportionment, they have paid \$110 already. The Women's Missionary Society reported a successful year. They have fully met all apportionments this year, and the increase has been thirty per cent. The Sunday School has made a splendid report. It has contributed this year \$406.68. Besides supporting a mountain mission it has given liberally to the Armenians, to the Sunday School Board, to the Orphan's Home and for Sunday School work. After paying off everything and contributing to these causes there is \$58.33 in the treasury.

FARM BUREAU FOR WEBSTER COUNTY.

A number of farmers met in Dixon on Dec. 30th and permanently organized a farmer's bureau. W. L. Baker of Clay was elected president and L. B. Henry of Dixon, secretary.

Miss Margaret Howerton of Fredonia is visiting Miss Roberta Moore of this city. Miss Howerton is a student at Hamilton College this year.

PROF. CHRISTIAN'S LETTER

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking the Press for its kindness in printing in its issue of week before last my reply to an erroneous statement in its preceding issue regarding my attitude toward the lyceum course.

I wish to express my appreciation also for its work of editorial comment. I asked for an apology and by apology I did not mean what is commonly understood in the popular acceptance of that word, that is, a more or less palliative explanation, expression of regret, or, admission of a fault. By apology I mean what the word really signifies, a dignified explanation of the statement that I considered unjustifiable.

In placing responsibility for the statement on "common talk" the Press made the apology I desired. And it seems to me that both the Press and myself have been imposed upon by this "common talk". I should like to add also that our town would be a more progressive town, our churches would do better service our schools would be more influential and efficient and there would exist a much better understanding and feeling between man and man if much less of this, unfounded and irresponsible "common talk" were indulged in. I should like to suggest that the Press would better serve the community and its own interest if it would require those responsible for "common talk" to print their statements over their signatures as I am doing.

No one is more pleased than myself that the Press is not afraid to speak out for or against things that should be brought to the attention of our citizens. Every community needs a fearless newspaper that will courageously support measures of community uplift and development, and that will just as courageously help to rout, overcome and if possible, line up forces that seek to place obstacles in the way of nearly every project of community progress.

No more important or necessary work can be done in a community than the arousing of the people from their indifference to waking them up to a better understanding of the crying needs of, and stimulating them to a more intense interest in and energetic support of their public schools. We welcome any well founded and well directed criticism of the school which the Press may see fit to make, knowing that the school can only profit by its needs being thus brought to the attention of the public. We do not think the Press can serve the community in any better way than by helping to give publicity so school needs here and by enlisting in the fight for better school. This the Press has pledged itself to do both in an interview between the editor and myself and in its published editorial.

During the war, school people said little about school needs and nobly gave their assistance in the winning of the war. Their effective work in helping to arouse and mold the patriotic sentiment of the nation has been attested everywhere and has received expressions of appreciation from the highest officials in the land. School people were willing that they and the school be somewhat neglected during the war, but now they are going to speak out regularly and loudly for what they know to be the best interests of the boys and girls of the nation.

So the people of the community may watch the columns of the Press for articles challenging the citizens to immediate and definite action leading to the improvement of our school.

V. L. CHRISTIAN.

POPULAR GIRL WEDS.

Miss Gusie Burgett, one of Marion's most popular young ladies was married in Princeton last Saturday evening to Mr. Otto Towery of that place. The marriage took place at the home of the groom's brother, Roy Towery.

Miss Burgett has lived in Marion all of her life and is the daughter of Mrs. Lucy Burgett of North Main street. For the past few years she has been employed in a local store and had made many friends. She has always taken an active part in church work and is a soloist of considerable ability.

The groom is employed as a fireman on the I. C. out of Princeton and is a highly respected young man. The couple will make Princeton their home.

MULES WANTED

I will be in Marion Monday, Jan. 12th., Salem, Tuesday, Jan. 13th., Hampton, Wednesday, Jan. 14th. To buy good fat mules 15 to 16 hands high, 4 to 7 years old.

If anyone has good fat mules, bring them in and I will pay the highest market prices.

GEO. G. CLARK

MAYFIELD,

KENTUCKY

SOCIETY

On Wednesday night, Dec. 31, 1919, Misses Nona Belle and Melba Williams entertained with a watch party. After attending the theatre the crowd gathered at the home of the hostesses on Elm street.

The evening was spent with all kinds of games, contests and music. Refreshments were served. The guests were: Misses Forrest Hammack, Elizabeth Cook, Gladys Gray, Katherine Reed, Eva Yates; Messrs. George Dolan, Gleaford Rankin, Perry Travis, Ted Boston, Neville Moore, Homer McConnell.

Miss Virginia Flanary very charmingly entertained Wednesday evening, Dec. 31st, at a watch night dinner in honor of Capt. Earl M. Price of Racine, Wisconsin.

Decorations in the holiday colors of red and green combined with tinsel and holly were used with pretty effect through out the house. The lights were shaded with red, and in the dining room clusters of tiny cupids hung from the shade. Streamers of red and green extended to each plate from a mound of snow and evergreen in the center of the table. Attached to these streamers were witty toasts for each guest present. The unt baskets were in the shape of poinsettias blossoms, while the place cards were pretty snow scenes and small cupids were given as favors. Seated with the hostess and the guest of honor, Capt. Price were Misses Elizabeth Rochester, Miriam Pierce, Myrtle Glass, Lilly Dunn, Ruth Moore, Jewel Rankin; Messrs. Doyle Vaughn, George Gumbert, Kenna Powell, Isam Morse, Charles Cassidy; Mrs. Clint Meadows of Dawson Springs and Mesdames and Messrs. W. H. Rochester and Newton Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Haynes held open house in their beautiful home on North College street on the afternoon of New

Year's day. About 75 of their friends were present to enjoy the afternoon together.

Punch was served and late in the afternoon a delightful lunch was served.

Miss Elizabeth Rochester was hostess on New Year's day at a one o'clock luncheon in honor of her guest, Capt. Earl M. Price.

A delightful New Years eve dance was given Wednesday evening of last week at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Jenkins on Walker street. The house was beautifully lighted and decorated for the occasion. Dobson's orchestra of Evansville furnished the music. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. George P. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henry, Misses Margaret Howerton of Fredonia, Lucile Moore, Virginia Blue, Ruth Flanary, Myrtle Glass, Mrs. Madalene Babb, Mrs. Clint Meadows, Messrs. Clifton Crawford, Earl and Douglas Clement, Virgil Threlkeld and Neil Guess.

BILLY AND BOB.

Our citizens are always glad when "Billy" Yates and "Bob" Lear can get a vacation and come home. They both spent the holidays here this year. Billy with his family and Bob with his good mother.

W. B. Yates is one of the leading song evangelists of America. Perhaps he has conducted services in every state in the Union. All of his time is filled and many more calls than he can meet. He is a good preacher and one of the sweetest singers in Israel.

Robert Lear is a combined man—a good singer as well as a good preacher and is a marked success as an evangelist. He was licensed to preach in 1910, ordained Deacon in 1914, Elder in 1918. Appointed Conference Evangelist of the Louisville Conference in 1919 and appointed general evangelist Jan. 1, 1920.

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